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Parra Notes

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Hello Friends:

Yes, I know it's only Thursday and you're already receiving my **Parra Notes**, but tomorrow is **Veterans Day** so I thought I'd get them out to you a day earlier. Speaking of veterans, I want to thank all of our heroes who participated in the **Veterans Bus Ride** on Monday. I had an amazing time sharing and discussing issues of importance to them. I also want to thank **Joey Perez** of **J-Live Entertainment** who really helped make the trip memorable by providing free entertainment to our veterans. For those of you unable to make this trip be sure to hold **February 10, 2006** on your calendars as we will be going on another **Veterans Bus Ride**. Details to follow soon.

On Saturday, I attended the **Pink Diamonds Fashion Show and Luncheon** at the **Kings County Fairgrounds**. Co-sponsored by the **Hanford Noon Kiwanis Club** and **Career Builders Future National Area**, this event was held to benefit women and children in need. After the event, I drove over to Fresno where the **California Apartment Association** presented me with the **Industry Partner of the Year Award** for my work on **AB 438**. You might recall that I introduced this bill earlier this year and it's currently pending in the **Assembly Public Safety Committee**. **AB 438** would allow rental property owners to deny housing to or evict high-risk sex offenders.

On Wednesday, I drove to **San Rafael** where I attended the **Homecoming Ceremony** for the **250th Military Intelligence Battalion of the California Army National Guard**. During the ceremony I presented our brave men and women with an **Assembly Resolution**. I must say that it was a great honor for me to be present when our soldiers arrived, especially since I was there on **September 23, 2004** when they were deployed to **Iraq**. I am relieved to inform you that none of these soldiers deployed were killed during the tour, but three suffered injuries. Let's be sure to set aside some time this Friday (**Veteran's Day**) to remember those that have sacrificed so much for our country.

PARTNERSHIP FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY *SAVE THE DATE*

The next **Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley** meeting will be held on **December 8th** and **9th** at the **University of California Merced**. As soon as more details are made available I'll be sure to pass them along.

To learn more about the Partnership visit the Business, Transportation and Housing website by going to www.bth.ca.gov and click on "California Partnership for the Central Valley."

NEED HOMEWORK HELP?

The **California State Library** has made available through their website <http://www.library.ca.gov/tutor/> a new service called **Live Homework Help**. This service enables students to connect on-line with a tutor for assistance with homework questions. Supported by Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) federal funding, students can access Live Homework Help through [28 California public libraries](#). It is important to note that the tutors who respond to student questions are **screened, trained, and closely monitored**.

Live Homework Help is easy! Log on to <http://www.library.ca.gov/tutor/> from your computer any time between **1:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.** and follow the simple setup instructions.

I WANT YOUR IDEAS!!

It's that time of year again when legislators start brainstorming for legislative ideas they can introduce as Assembly bills in February and eventually turn into law. As a result, I've been busy meeting with various groups and individuals throughout my district to determine what issues in the Valley can best be addressed with new legislation. If you have any ideas for new laws please e-mail me at Assemblymember.Parra@assembly.ca.gov. Make sure to include the words "New Legislation" on the subject line.

EVENTS

During our legislative break, I will be attending several meetings and events throughout the district. Below you will find just a few of the public events that I am scheduled to attend in November.

If you or your organization would like to set up a time to meet with me or would like for me to attend an event you are sponsoring, please feel free to contact my Executive Secretary Ellen Manolis at (916) 319-2030 or by e-mail at Ellen.Manolis@asm.ca.gov.

November (Tentative)

- **Liberty Bell Prayer in Honor of Veteran's Day** – November 11th from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Bakersfield
- **Veterans Day Parade** – November 11th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Bakersfield
- **Highland High School Assembly** – November 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Bakersfield
- **McFarland Lion's Club Meeting** – November 17th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Bakersfield
- **Bakersfield Leadership Program Conference** – November 18th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in Bakersfield
- **Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors of California Annual Legislative Reception** – November 18th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Visalia.
- **Wasco Rotary Club Meeting** – November 21st from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Wasco
- **Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in Kingsburg** – November 25th from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in Kingsburg
- **Hanford Christmas Parade** – November 25th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Hanford

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

INTERNS WANTED

I am accepting applications for the fall internship program in my **Hanford, Bakersfield** and **Sacramento** offices. Candidates should be residents of the 30th Assembly District, possess solid research and communication skills, and have a strong interest in public policy and political issues facing the Central Valley. Applications can be found by going to:

<http://democrats.assembly.ca.gov/members/a30>.

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For Bakersfield office internships contact **Manuel Barrera** at **(661) 334-3745** or by e-mail at Manuel.Barrera@asm.ca.gov.

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